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SUBJ: UNCTAD: DRAFT RESOLUTION ON RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES

1. GROUP OF 77 (DEVELOPING) COUNTRIES AT SIXTH SESSION OF COMMITTEE ON MANUFACTURES ON AUG. 15 CIRCULATED FIVE-PAGE DRAFT RESOLUTION ON RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES (TD/B/C.2/L.61). OBJECTIVES OF DRAFT RESOLUTION ARE TO GAIN RECOGNITION AND ENDORSEMENT OF REPORT OF EXPERT GROUP AND ALL OF ITS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION BY DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. AGREEMENT ALSO SOUGHT TO MANDATE TO CONVENE FURTHER SESSIONS OF GROUPS OF EXPERTS TO WORK ON GUIDELINES, STUDY FEASIBILITY OF COMPLAINT BUREAU IN UNCTAD AND CONTROL MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS. US DEL BELIEVES RESOLUTION TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE AND BECAUSE OF LENGTH BELIEVES NOT WORTHWHILE TO TRANSMIT TEXT.

2. DRAFT RESOLUTION DISCUSSED BY GROUP B (DEVELOPED) COUNTRIES. WHILE THERE ARE VARIOUS NUANCES IN POSITIONS OF INDIVIDUAL DELS, GROUP UNANIMOUSLY AGREED DRAFT RESOLUTION UNACCEPTABLE AS BASIS FOR NEGOTIATION.

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COORDINATOR WILL INFORM GROUP OF 77 THAT GROUP B WILLING

CONSIDER PROCEDURAL TYPE RESOLUTION WHICH ENDORSES
RECONVENING OF GROUP OF EXPERTS AFTER ADEQUATE PREPARA-
TIONS. SOME DELS, HOWEVER, PREPARED GO FURTHER,
FOR EXAMPLE, BY SUPPORTING STUDY OF POSSIBILITIES
FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND ENDORSEMENT OF CERTAIN OF
THE RECOMMENDATIONS. FINAL OUTCOME WILL DEPEND ON STRENGTH
OF VIEWS WITHIN GROUP OF 77.

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